various projects in afforestation, social forestry and (iv) preparation of bankable afforestation projects for 15 blocks.

### देश में इलाइट आर्चर्ड

3152. **श्री चन्द्रिका प्रसाद त्रिपाठी :** क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि देश में कितने इलाइट आर्चर्ड है और क्या मध्य प्रदेश में भी कोई ऐसा इलाइट आर्चर्ड स्थापित किया गया है और यदि नहीं, तो क्या इस सम्बन्ध में कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है और यदि हां, तो इसे कब तक स्थापित किये जाने की संभावना है ?

**कृषि मंत्रालय में कृषि और सहकारिता विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री श्याम लाल यादव)** भारत सरकार ने भारतीय राज्य फार्म निगम के माध्यम से देश में 10 सर्वोत्कृष्ट प्रजाति उद्यान स्थापित किए हैं। मध्य प्रदेश में ऐसा कोई उद्यान स्थापित नहीं किया गया है। इस राज्य में सर्वोत्कृष्ट प्रजाति उद्यान स्थापित करने का कोई प्रस्ताव भारत सरकार के विचाराधीन नहीं है।

### Production of Gold

3153. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) what on an average is the annual percentage of decline in the production of gold from the various gold mines in the country as against the production target;

(b) what is the average percentage of rise in the cost of production of gold from these mines;

(c) whether in view of the dwindling gold reserves and high cost production not matching with the yield, Government propose to discontinue mining operations in any of these gold mines; if so, what is the decision if any, taken by the Governmenet in this regard; and

(d) what efforts have been made by the Government so far to locate new gold reserves in the country and what is the result achieved?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR): (a) Bharat Gold Mines Limited (BGML), an undertaking of the Central Government under this Ministry, and Hutti Gold Mines Company Limited (HGML), a Karnataka State Government Undertaking, are the two primary gold producing units in the country. While the production at Kolar Gold Field Mines of BGML has been declining over the years due to depletion of reserves through exploitation over 107 years, there is no continuous decline of production at the mines of HGML. The production of gold as compared to targets at the mines of BGML and HGML during 1986-87 and 1987-88 is given below:—

| Company | Production (in Kg) | | % decline/increase over Target | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Target | Actual | | |
| **BGML** | | | | |
| 1986-87 | 903.5 | 792.49 | (-) | 12.28 |
| 1987-88 (Provisional) | 957.0 | 834.72 | (-) | 12.77 |
| **HGML** | | | | |
| 1986-87 | 902.0 | 916.0 | (+) | 1.55 |
| 1987-88 (Provisional) | 900.0 | 881.0 | (—) | 2.11 |